What's New for 2006 Tax Year (2007 Processing Year)

The following dollar amounts have changed for tax year 2006:

- Standard Deduction: \$1,970. You will find this amount on Form 740-EZ and Form 740, page 1.
- Itemized Deduction Limitation: \$150,500; \$75,250 if married filing separately on a combined return or separate returns. You will find these figures on Schedule A, pages 1 & 2.

Form 740 has undergone some minor revisions:

- The Family Size Tax Credit table has changed.
- Two new credits are available in section A, business credits. Line 13 has been created for the Environmental Stewardship Credit and line 14 for the Clean Coal Incentive credit.
- Attach K-1 was added to the end of line 1 of section A to stress that taxpayers
 must attach their schedule K-1 for the Corporation Tax Credits. Worksheets
 also need to include a line to allow taxpayers to enter their percentage of
 ownership to compute the credit.

Form 8863-K will now include credit carry forwards from tax year 2005. A worksheet is being developed that will calculate this credit carry forward amount.

INTRODUCTION

2006 Kentucky tax forms and schedules, including corporation income returns and all appropriate schedules for these returns, must be submitted in an approved format as prescribed by the Kentucky Department of Revenue. Individual (resident) income tax returns must be designed in 2D-barcode format as prescribed by the Kentucky Department of Revenue even if a vendor does not support the barcode for Kentucky. The approval process ensures that substitute tax forms:

- Are compatible with the Department's automated processing system or 2D barcode system; and
- Present information in a uniform pattern.

Beginning with tax year 2006, the Department of Revenue will develop one (1) version of the Individual Income Tax form. This form was designed to be used by software developers for computer generated returns and will also be included in the official tax booklet. This form is designed for the 2-D barcode format. If the 2-D barcode is not printed on the form, the space allotted for the barcode should be left blank.

Definition of a Substitute Tax Form

It is a form, other than the official form printed by the Department, which is commercially typeset and printed, or computer produced or computer programmed.

APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE INCOME TAX FORMS

Any company that designs and /or markets substitute tax forms that are submitted for processing by the Department must get prior approval from the Department. Approval is required each year before releasing or distributing substitute tax forms as paper copy or as part of a software product to its customers or clients.

Prior to or included with the first transmission of forms for approval, each vendor should include a list of all forms they expect to submit for approval. This will help the Department determine when a vendor has submitted all of their forms so we can update our website with approval information. Please submit the lists broken down by tax type. (If the vendor cannot submit the list of forms that will need approval, the status for that vendor on our website will remain pending until the Department is notified by the vendor that no other forms will be submitted. It will be the vendor's responsibility to notify the Department when all of the forms have been submitted and approved.)

If a vendor uses another vendor's forms in their software package, they should submit data filled forms for data placement approval. It would be helpful if you could notify the Department of which forms are in this category.

Once a vendor has received approval, their customers or clients do not need to get additional approval to use the approved substitute tax forms. Vendors are encouraged to include approval information in their release.

GUIDELINES FOR PROGRAMMING SUBSTITUTE TAX FORMS

Reproduced tax forms that deviate from the official forms (including those produced by tax software) are considered substitute tax forms and must be approved before use.

Substitute tax forms, including corporation income returns and all appropriate schedules for these returns, must be compatible with the Department's automated processing system and the Department must be able to process the forms in the same manner as the official form. The Department reserves the right to reject any substitute tax form that does not meet the guidelines mentioned in this document or that would cause processing problems.

Margins and Layout

Substitute tax forms must have margins on all sides at least as large as the margins on the official forms. One-sided reproduced tax forms are acceptable even if the official form is two-sided.

Some official forms are designed with dropout ink boxes to guide a taxpayer through manual preparation. For computer generated forms these boxes are not needed or desired. Eliminating these boxes allows the vertical placement on the page to be adjusted to allow for easier programming. See formatting requirements for each form. The formatting will not be exactly the same as the official forms but will be grouped in the same manner.

Text on Substitute Forms and Schedules

The order of a substitute schedule must follow the official schedule, including title, space for taxpayer name and identification number, year, captions, line numbers and line descriptions. To avoid having text in the areas to be read, omit the text that designates placement of name and address and the text at the tops of the columns that say "DOLLARS" and "CENTS". Captions and line descriptions from the official schedules may be shortened to one print line on substitute forms. To do this, it is acceptable to use abbreviations and contractions and omit articles and prepositions. However, key words that make identification of the caption or line description clear must be retained. Instructional text may be omitted.

Substitute tax forms must closely resemble the style and size of type used on the official form.

The Taxpayer/Preparer signature area may not be rearranged, relocated or reworded. The perjury statement and signature line areas must be retained and worded exactly as on the official form. The signature area format on substitute forms must conform to that of the official form.

Printing Amounts in Data Fields

- Characters in data fields must be printed in courier at 12 characters per inch. For data entry in areas that have handprint boxes on the official form, data should be printed without lines beneath the data.
- Amounts should be right justified with decimals and cents. The numbers do not need to be placed in the
 area corresponding to the handprint boxes horizontally but must be within the area of the boxes
 vertically. Spaces should not be placed between characters but commas may be used.
- Amounts must be rounded to whole dollars; cents should be shown with zeros.
- If a monetary amount is negative, place a leading minus sign in the first field to the left of the first number.
- All numeric fields should be left blank if there is no entry.

Boxes Designating an Option

- On the official form there are boxes to be checked. These all may be marked with an "X" without the box but in the area designated on the layout for that form. Although the boxes may be (and some should be) omitted, the text for the boxes must be printed.
- On the 740 form there is a selection of a packet or a label to use on a substitute form next filing season. The Department prefers this be programmed so that the default is not to receive a packet with an override for selection of a packet.

Company Identification Code

Substitute tax forms must include a company identification code. The company identification code is a four character numeric code assigned by the NACTP.

In some cases, the design of the form, and the design of the software to perform the tax calculations are created by two separate organizations. The four digit company identification code refers to the developer who

creates the form design only, and not to the developer who designs the software to perform the tax calculations.

The company identification code must be printed on each substitute tax form where specified in the specifications for that form. Substitute forms that do not have this will not be approved.

Vendors that produce a 2D barcode but do not produce their own forms should place their company identification code in the lower right hand corner of the return. The lower left-hand corner of the return is reserved for the form developer.

Internal Control Numbers

Internal control numbers and symbols used by computerized processors to identify the taxpayer and tax practitioner may be shown on substitute forms. If these numbers or symbols are used, print them in the upper right margin of the substitute tax form.

GUIDELINES FOR CUSTOMER USE

Vendors are requested to inform their customers and clients of paper and printing requirements for substitute forms.

Paper Requirements

Use white paper of equal or better quality than the 20-lb. paper used for the official form. Use the same size paper as the official form.

Printing Requirements

All forms must have a high standard of legibility for printing and for data entry. The Department reserves the right to reject forms with poor legibility. The ink and printing method used must ensure that no part of a form (including text, graphics and data entries) develops smears or other quality deterioration during preparation or processing. Black ink must be used.

SUBSTITUTE TAX FORM APPROVAL PROCESS

What the Company Must Do

- Submit your substitute tax forms to the Department for review before distribution or release to customers or clients. The Department requires a minimum of 2 samples for testing purposes. Samples must be produced in accordance with the specifications outlined in this procedure. One sample should be blank and the other should be data filled. The data filled return can consist of X's and 9's.
- Make corrections and revisions to substitute tax forms upon notification by the Department and resubmit
 for approval. Revisions may be submitted via fax or by sending a pdf of the form to the contact person
 for that particular tax type.
- Provide customers or clients with the instructions for correctly producing approved substitute tax forms.
 These instructions must include information on the printer fonts required to produce approved substitute tax forms.
- Upon request, provide customers or clients with copies of a substitute tax form approval letter.

What the Department Will Do

- Disseminate information regarding substitute tax forms design and development;
- Review substitute tax forms;
- Send a list via email indicating which forms are approved and which forms are not approved. If forms are not approved, substitute tax forms with errors noted will be returned with a request for the forms to be corrected and resubmitted. If the vendor requires a letter of approval be mailed, they should contact the person approving the forms and one will be sent. Otherwise, this will be done via email for efficiency in the approval process.

Note: The Department does not review or approve the logic of specific software programs or confirm the calculations entered on substitute tax forms output from software programs. The Department will not be responsible for proofreading the forms for spelling and grammatical errors. The accuracy of software programs is the responsibility of the software developer, distributor or user.

If you experience any problems with approvals of any type of form, please contact Aaron Hicks at the address or phone number listed below for assistance.

Mailing addresses and phone numbers. A complete listing is included at http://revenue.ky.gov

Please be sure to send your forms to the appropriate person for approval. Forms sent to the incorrect contact will delay approval of the form as they must be routed to appropriate personnel.

<u>Individual Income Tax – Partnership - Fiduciary</u>

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The following are the secondary contacts for form approvals. They should only be contacted in case of an emergency.

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William Lawson – 502-564-2557 Ext. 4717

Collections Forms

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GENERAL INFORMATION ON RECORD LAYOUT

Vertical and horizontal starting positions are the top and left edges of the paper. Vertical print spacing is 6 lines per inch and horizontal measurement is 12 characters per inch. The positions shown in the tables are the range of positions that can be used.

Reference Mark on 740-ES and 720-ES

The reference mark is the first item scanned; all other data is measured in relationship to the reference mark. It must be identical in size, thickness and position as the official form produced by the Department. The reference mark (line is 2 point) is printed on lines in positions unless otherwise noted. There should be at least three-sixteenth inch white space around the reference mark.

Form ID Numbers on 740-ES and 720-ES

Failure to read the document ID number will cause the entire document to be rejected. **This number must be printed with an OCR-A font.** Space around the form ID should be at least three-sixteenth inch. The form ID is printed on line 15 starting in position 69 unless otherwise noted.

Company ID Code

This number can be printed with a courier font. Space around the form ID should be at least three-sixteenth inch. The Company ID is printed on lines 62 starting in position 8 unless otherwise noted. The Company code on Form 720-ES is on line 21.

Barcode Placement

The horizontal placement of the barcode on the 740 and 740-EZ is position 47 through 77. The vertical placement of the barcode varies on each form. The 740 (lines 7 through 17) and the 740-EZ (lines 7 through 17). Any vendor that supports the 2D barcode for KY should have the default set to ON for the barcode.

SCANNABLE INCOME TAX FORMS AND SCHEDULES

740-ES Kentucky Individual Income Tax Estimated Tax Voucher

Form ID 42A740ES0002

720-ES Kentucky Corporation Income Tax Estimated Tax Voucher

Form ID 41A720ES9902

Please review the layouts for the 720-ES and 740-ES

NON-SCANNABLE INCOME TAX FORMS AND SCHEDULES WITHOUT A FORM ID

The following forms are non-scannable. There is no reference mark or Form ID. These forms must have the Company Name or 4 digit ID printed on the form in the lower left hand corner.

42A740 Kentucky Individual Income Tax Return Full-Year Residents Only

42A740-EZ Kentucky Individual Income Tax Return For Single Persons With No Dependents

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42A740-S9	Kentucky Income Tax Return Nonresident or Part-Year Residents

42A740-S9-R Kentucky Income Tax Return Nonresident – Reciprocal State

42A740-X Amended Kentucky Individual Income Tax Return – Current Year

42A740-XP Amended Kentucky Individual Income Tax Return – Prior Years

Schedule M Kentucky Federal Adjusted Gross Income Modifications

Schedule A Kentucky Itemized Deductions

Schedule ME Moving Expense and Reimbursement

Schedule P Pension Income Exclusion

Schedule J Farm Income Averaging

Form 2210-K Underpayment of Estimated Tax By Individuals

Form 4972-K Kentucky Tax on Lump-Sum Distributions

Form 8453-K Kentucky Individual Income Tax Declaration for Electronic Filing

Form 8582-K Kentucky Passive Activity Loss Limitations

Form 8863-K Kentucky Education Tuition Tax Credit

40A100 Application for Refund of Income Taxes

40A102 Application for Extension of Time to File

Form 720 Kentucky Corporation Income Tax Return

Form 720S Kentucky S Corporation Income Tax Return

Form 725 Kentucky Single Member LLC Tax Return

(Taxed as a Corporation)

41A725-CP Composite Return Schedule

Form 720X Amended Kentucky Corporation Income Tax and Corporation License Tax Return

Schedule K (Form 720S) Kentucky S corporation income and license tax return (Page 3)

Schedule A Apportionment and Allocation

Schedule K-1 Shareholder's Share of Income, Credit, Deductions, Etc.

Form 1045-K Kentucky Net Operating Loss Application for Income Tax Refund

Schedule HH Housing for Homeless Families Deduction

Schedule RC Application for Income Tax Credit for Recycling and/or Composting Equipment

Schedule RC (K-1)	Pro Rata/Distributive Share of Approved Recycling and/or Composting Equipment Tax Credit
Schedule UTC	Unemployment Tax Credit
Form 720SL	Application for Six-Month Extension of Time to File Kentucky Corporation Income and License Tax Return
Form 851-K	Kentucky Affiliations and Payment Schedule
Schedule EZC	Enterprise Zone Tax Credit
41A720S31	Kentucky Schedule K for Corporations with Economic Development Projects
41A720CC	Coal Conversion Tax Credit (Schedule CC)
Form 722	Election to File Consolidated Kentucky Corporation Income Tax Return
41A720-S22	Tax Computation Schedule (Schedule KIDA)
41A720-S16	Tax Computation Schedule (Schedule KREDA)
41A720-S18	Tax Computation Schedule (Schedule KREDA-SP)
41A720-S17	Tracking Schedule (Schedule KREDA-T)
41A720-S22	Tax Computation Schedule (Schedule KIDA-SP)
41A720-S21	Tracking Schedule (Schedule KIDA-T)
41A720-S24	Tax Computation Schedule (Schedule KIRA)
41A720-S26	Tax Computation Schedule (Schedule KIRA-SP)
41A720-S25	Tracking Schedule (Schedule KIRA-T)
41A720-S27	Tax Computation Schedule (Schedule KJDA)
41A720-S29	Tax Computation Schedule (Schedule KJDA-SP)
41A720-S28	Tracking Schedule (Schedule KJDA-T)
41A720-S30	Tax Credit Summary Schedule (Schedule TCS)

KENTUCKY CORPORATION INCOME TAX ESTIMATED VOUCHER 41A720-ES

VOUCHER SIZE $8^{1}/_{2}$ x $3^{2}/_{3}$ inches (22 Lines)

Name of Field	Line Number from top of voucher	Position	
Date	4	66-74	
"Kentucky Account No." Text	10	7-20	
"Tax Year Ending (mo./yr.)" Text	10	27-42	
"Payment Date (mo./yr.)" Text	11	7-20	
"Federal Identification Number" Text	11	27-44	
"Amount Paid (From Worksheet)" Text	10-11	60-79	
Kentucky account number	9	7-12	
Modulus 10 Self-Check Digit (on Account #)	9	16	
Year ending MM/YY	9	32-36	
Due Date	12	7-11	
FEIN	12	32-41	
Amount Paid (Do not print boxes)	12	60-74	
Name	14-15	7-33	
Street Address	16	7-33	
City	17	7-23	
State	17	26-27	
Zip (5 characters)	17	30-34	
Telephone Number	17	36-47	
President Name	19	20-44	
Form ID (41A720ES0502 Constant) (OCR A)	17	69-80	
Reference Mark	Top of line 18 through bottom of line 20	72-76	
Company Code (including suffix, if applicable)	21	61-65	

KENTUCKY INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX ESTIMATED VOUCHER **42A740-ES VOUCHER SIZE** $8^{1}/_{2}$ x $3^{1}/_{2}$ inches (21 lines)

Name of Field	Line number from top of voucher	Position
Primary social security number (text is on line 11)	9	9-19
Check digit on primary social security number	9	22
Secondary social security number (text is on line 11)	9	27-37
Check digit on secondary social security number	9	40
Year ending (text is on line 11)	9	47-56
Amount paid (text is on line 8)	11	61-81
Name (Last name, primary first name, middle initial, secondary first name, middle initial)	15	11-35
Street address	16	11-35
City	17	11-27
State	17	29-30
Zip	17	33.42
Form ID (42A740ES0002)	15	70-81
Reference Mark	Top of line 17 to bottom of line 19	73-77
Company Code	18	61-65

Modulus 10 Check Digit Routine

In this example, "C" will hold the place of the check digit to be calculated. The string of characters for which the check digit is to be calculated is weighted from right to left by 2 then 1. Working from right to left, the digit from the string is multiplied by the assigned weight. That figure is then divided by 10 and the whole number equivalent of the integer and modulus results are added together to form a single digit. This single digit value is accumulated for each digit in the string. The total is divided by 10 again. This calculation differs from the calculations of the individual digits as the integer portion of the result is discarded and the whole number representation of the modulus portion is subtracted from 10 resulting in the check digit for the string. If the check digit calculates to be 10, then the check digit will be 0.

			Total=0
Weights: String:	212121212 10686072 3 C	2*3=06 06/10=0.6	
Sumg.	10080072 3 C	0 + 6 = 6	
			Total = Total + 6 = 6
Weights: String:	212121212 1068607 2 3C	1*2 = 02 02/10 = 0.2	
buing.	1000007230	0 + 2 = 2	
XX ' 1 .	010101010	0 4 7 1 4	Total = Total + 2 = 8
Weights: String:	212121212 106860 7 23C	2* 7 = 14 $14/10 = 1.4$	
buing.	100000723€	1 + 4 = 5	
XX 1	212121212	140 00	Total = Total + 5 = 13
Weights: String:	212121212 10686 0 723C	1*0 = 00 00/10 = 0.0	
buing.	1000007230	0 + 0 = 0	
XX ' 1 .	010101010	2 * 6 12	Total = Total + 0 = 13
Weights: String:	212121212 1068 6 0723C	2 * 6 = 12 12/10 = 1.2	
zumg.	100000.200	1 + 2 = 3	
Waighta	212121212	1*8 = 08	Total = Total + 3 = 16
Weights: String:	106 8 60723C	08/10 = 0.8	
8.		0 + 8 = 8	
Waishta.	212121212	2 * 6 = 12	Total = Total + 8 = 24
Weights: String:	10 6 860723C	$2 \cdot 6 = 12$ 12/10 = 1.2	
zumg.	100000,200	1 + 2 = 3	
Waishta.	212121212	1*0 00	Total = Total + 3 = 27
Weights: String:	212121212 1 0 6860723C	1*0 = 00 00/10 = 0.0	
zumg.	100000,200	0 + 0 = 0	
XX 1	212121212	2 * 1 02	Total = Total + 0 = 27
Weights: String:	212121212 1 06860723C	2 * 1 = 02 02/10 = 0.2	
Sumg.	1000007230	0 + 2 = 2	
			Total = Total + 2 = 29
			Total/ $10 = 2.9$ Check digit = $10 - 9 = 1$